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IN THE ROARING GRAIN

Drummer Lee Petrin, far left, outfitted with a GoPro camera, encourages the Wake-Up Warriors to paddle harder during the Tim Hortons Dragon Boat Festival at Mooney's Bay on Sunday. The Warriors won the race. Story, [metroNEWS](#). MIKE CARROCCETTO/METRO

Cyclist dies after hit by fleeing car

ROADS

Police urge hit-and-run driver to come forward



Michael Woods
Metro | Ottawa

City had not been released as of early Sunday evening. suffered a traumatic cardiac arrest. Paramedics tried "aggressive resuscitation measures," but he was pronounced dead at the Ottawa Hospital Trauma Unit.

Leitrim Road was closed for several hours Sunday morning from Gilligan Road to Bowesville Road while Ottawa police collisions investigators were on scene.

Police Chief Charles Bordeleau appealed to the driver's conscience in a tweet Sunday morning, saying that "anyone with information or a guilty conscience should call police."

Police are asking anyone with any information to call the east division desk at 613-236-1222, ext. 3212, or Crime Stoppers at 613-233-8477.

Police were continuing their investigation on Sunday of an early-morning hit-and-run that left a cyclist dead in the city's south end.

The vehicle hit the cyclist, believed to be in his 30s, south of the airport on Leitrim Road, west of Albion Road, at about 5:45 a.m. Police said the vehicle then fled the scene.

The cyclist, whose iden-



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PAY CENTRE Staffers require support: Union

Michael Woods
Metro | Ottawa

Canada's largest federal union says a lack of training and support for employees at the government's new Pay Centre is to blame for hundreds of complaints they've received from public servants who haven't been paid.

The government says the consolidation of pay services at its Pay Centre in Miramichi, N.B. — and a new modern pay system to be launched later this year — will save taxpayers millions of dollars.

Public Works and Government Services Canada maintains the pay centre "is not experiencing widespread issues in administering pay services."

"The transition to the consolidated pay centre has not negatively impacted the processing of employees' pay," department spokeswoman Michèle LaRose said. "If the unions are receiving any complaints, we would ask that they provide those specific cases to us so that the issues can be resolved."

Chris Aylward, national executive vice-president of the Public Service Alliance of Canada, which represents the Pay Centre's 550 employees, says the employees are being overworked and hung out to dry after completing their training.

He said they need more on-the-job support given the number and complexity of the files they're handling.

"Compensation services is a very complex process," he said. "When you take somebody off the street with absolutely no background in compensation services, it's obviously going to take somebody a while to be brought up to speed."

LaRose said every pay advisor at the Miramichi Pay Centre handles an average of 150 pay accounts, while historically, advisors elsewhere in the public service handle an average of 185 accounts. The employees also receive rigorous training, she said.

"We are looking at providing additional training on an as needed basis, drawing from Public Works' more experienced compensation advisors," she said.

That don't impress me much

SHANIA TWAIN

Concert venue apologizes for delays, discomfort

Lucy Scholey
Metro | Ottawa

It seemed less of "a party for two" than a party for too many people at the Shania Twain concert on Saturday night.

Long lineups for food and beer, hour-long shuttle waits at the end of the night and a

lack of security were among the concerns several concert-goers voiced on social media following the country music star's show at Wesley Clover Parks in Kanata.

On Sunday morning, Wesley Clover Parks officials publicly apologized on the organization's Facebook page, adding they would rethink future events of that size at the venue.

"We'd like to apologize for any delays, discomfort and inconveniences that occurred during the exit at the end of the night," reads the posting.

"It is of utmost importance to us that those who visit our facility have a first-class ex-



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Lise Lacelle

perience from start to finish. We will seriously review the viability of events of that size at Wesley Clover Parks, and will only agree to host future events of that magnitude if we are assured that a far more workable plan can be deployed and effectively executed."

It was Twain's first Ottawa concert in a decade. With reports of roughly 25,000 tickets sold, it was also the first

concert of that magnitude at that site.

On Facebook, Pamela Leclair said a woman in the crowd "passed out" without medics or security in sight.

Lise Lacelle called the Wesley Clover Parks message a "sad excuse for an apology."

"There was a complete lack of organization and concern for the safety of the people," she wrote. "Never mind the fact

that you did not even address the other issues that arose during the concert, like the lines for food, etc."

Despite the logistics, many of Twain's fans said the highly anticipated show did not disappoint. Others suggested alternative transportation to the venue, like biking.

"I think they weren't quite prepared for the huge bus line-up at the end of the night, but for their first time hosting a big concert I'd call it a success," noted Erin Collins-Jones, who said she walked to her car at the Nortel campus. "A dedicated taxi stand area would definitely help next time as well."



Gulvant Bajwa, CEO of National Access Cannabis, opened the company's first medical marijuana education centre in Victoria, B.C. in March 2015. CONTRIBUTED

NATIONAL ACCESS CANNABIS

Ex-public servant opens pot centre in Ottawa

Joe Lofaro
Metro | Ottawa

A former manager in Health Canada's old medical marijuana program is expected to open Ottawa's first National Access Cannabis (NAC) centre.

The company first opened its doors in Victoria, B.C. in March and will officially open a second location Monday morning at 1111 Wellington St. W. in Hintonburg.

The centre bills itself as an educational centre for Canadians considering cannabis as an alternative

medicine, which offers resources on how to use the drug safely.

The company's CEO, Gulvant Bajwa, worked on the Marijuana Medical Access Regulations (MMAR) program, which was repealed on March 31, 2014.

"I saw an opportunity where I thought this was something that I believed in, so I decided to cut my public service career short and I joined NAC in April 2015," said Bajwa last week.

"One of the biggest problems about medical marijuana is there's not enough knowledge out there about the efficacy of medical marijuana as an alternative medicine."

Bajwa emphasizes the centre is not a marijuana dispensary, nor is it lounge to smoke the drug.

Instead, it will offer "information specialists" who will provide consultations for interested clients as well as pharmacists to review their medical history.

"If you're taking something for high blood pressure, that's a beta suppressant. If you're using a beta suppressant, marijuana is probably not a right medicine for you because the interaction is very negative," said Bajwa.

"So the pharmacist will talk to you about some of the other prescription drugs that you're

taking and what effect it can have if you use marijuana as an alternative medicine."

There will also be physicians available on site and by phone who can choose whether or not to prescribe medical marijuana to a patient.

"It doesn't necessarily mean that if we put you in front of one of our physicians that the physician is going to prescribe marijuana," said Bajwa.

NAC makes money through membership and consultation fees. An annual membership costs \$99 in the first year and the consultation is a one-time fee of \$150. Both fees are refundable if

a patient is denied a marijuana license, said Bajwa.

The company said it has received 3,000 membership applications at its Victoria location since it opened and so far 200 have been processed.

"What we are offering is not available to people," he said. "There's a lot of interest in other parts of the country to get this kind of service available to Canadians."

In a unanimous ruling on June 11, the Supreme Court of Canada legalized the consumption of medical marijuana in all forms, meaning license holders are not limited to the dried product.

Dragon Boat Festival breathes fire into five local charities

MOONEY'S BAY

Team of female physicians raises more than \$50K

Mike Carroccetto
For Metro | Ottawa



Drummer Julie Gorman and members of the Good Gulls, Bad Buoys celebrate their victory at Tim Hortons Dragon Boat Festival at Mooney's Bay in Ottawa, Sunday. MIKE CARROCCETTO/METRO

ECONOMIC IMPACT

Councillor's website to track purchases by bike corral users

Michael Woods
Metro | Ottawa

Are you leaving your bicycle at the bike corral in Hintonburg and spending money in the neighbourhood? If so, the local councillor wants to know about it.

Kitchissippi ward Coun. Jeff Leiper has launched a new website, ibikeibuy.ca, to demonstrate the positive economic impact of more

A few raindrops Sunday morning along the Rideau didn't seem to put much of a damper on the final day of the 22nd annual Tim Hortons Ottawa Dragon Boat Festival at Mooney's Bay.

"It's been an amazing weekend," said Shelley Freake, the festival's director of fundraising and teams. "We've surpassed our goal of \$300,000, and there's still money coming in."

With 170 teams, and a lot most

4,500 participants, Ottawa's dragon boat festival has become the largest of its kind in North America.

A strong morning side wind, and rain later in the day, meant Sunday's hectic schedule of about 60 races fell behind, but many smiles were still evident, not only for the victors along the finish line, but also in 'tent city' at Mooney's Bay and along the beach, where competitors and fans alike gathered to watch, relax, pre-

pare and/or socialize.

The Dragon Docs — a local team of female physicians — raised more than \$50K.

"The relentless Freake reaches family, friends and supporters, asking anyone and everyone to contribute."

The Good Gulls/Bad Buoys, a co-ed team of 20- and 30-somethings, saw action on Sunday as one of the top

75 final qualifiers from Saturday races. They actually finished 76th, but earned a second life after a disqualification.

"We're the worst team here (Sunday)," said James Hale, one of

relaxing as they geared up for a 500m finale later in the afternoon.

John Brooman, CEO and president of the festival, told Metro he was watching the weather, but despite a steady downpour late on Sunday, the races continued and the party moved inside under the big VIP tent.

HEADLINER

The four-day festival, which supports five local charities, climaxed Sunday night on the stage with three concerts, with Hollerado, the Manotick rockers, opening for headliner Tokyo Police Club.

bike parking spaces. Leiper is asking people who park their bikes at the corral at Fairmont Avenue and Wellington Street to visit the website and input how much money they've spent. The idea, he said, is to show that "you can generate some significant economic impact by encouraging the replacement of some parking with bike parking."

This is the second year of the city's bike corral pilot project, which involves three bike corrals that each have space for 12 bikes. The others

lists tend to spend as much or more than car-driving customers on local main streets," Leiper said.

The site launched Friday morning. As of mid-Sunday afternoon, visitors had logged nearly \$1,000 in purchases. Leiper said he's going to keep it online until the corral is taken down in the fall.

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Coun. Jeff Leiper

are in the Glebe and the ByWard Market.

Last year, a corral in Wellington Village was removed early because local businesses complained they hadn't been consulted about its location.

The report on the pilot project is slated to be discussed by the city's transportation committee in November, Leiper said. He hopes the site drives awareness so when the report comes to council, there will be support for installing corrals across the city.

"I'm hoping that merchants are going to see — rather than a loss of parking — 12 new parking spots for high-spending customers, and wind up demanding more of these corrals."

Bus route changes take effect



East-end commuters should check their bus schedules before heading to work this week. A portion of the Transitway has shut down for light rail transit construction. METRO FILE

LOOKING AHEAD

Five things at city hall this week

1 Light rail transit on track?
City staff will ask the finance committee to move full-steam ahead on the second phase of light rail transit — despite lack

of confirmed federal or provincial funding on the project. If councillors give this project the thumbs-up, then city staff will invest \$7 million into Phase 2, which will extend the now-under-construction first phase.

2 Ward boundary review
Given that Ottawa's largest ward is almost twice the population size of its smallest ward, some could

argue the city is due for a review of its boundary lines. But Mayor Jim Watson, plus the two councillors most likely to be affected by such a review (Jan Harder in Barrhaven and Michael Qaqish in Gloucester-South Nepean) say otherwise. In an email last week, Watson urged his fellow councillors to hold off on the review until next term. This council has too much on its plate, he argued,

TRANSIT

Longer travel times, highway bus lanes are coming online



Joe Lofaro
Metro | Ottawa

East-end commuters, take note: Your commute has changed for the next three years.

About 70,000 bus users in the city's east end will be feeling the brunt of major changes to the Transitway now that the city has shut part of it down from Blair to Hurdman until 2018.

And drivers heading back to work on Monday should expect to see 120 buses per hour on new bus-only lanes on the 417 during peak hours in the afternoon.

The rerouting of buses is being done to make way for the first phase of LRT construction. The transit commission approved the changes in April, and now the city is reminding residents of incoming changes.

"On an average, we transport approximately 350,000 people throughout the system, of which only 14 per cent will be impacted. That means a remaining 286,000 people will not be impacted by these changes," Colleen Connolly, manager of service planning at OC Transpo, told a news conference on Friday.

"Based on these changes, we are anticipating approximately 70,000 customers that may see some changes to their normal travel behaviour."

Commuters who take the eastbound 95 in the afternoon will hit the hardest. They can expect an average 12- to 16-minute delay in the afternoon rush because the 95 bus must service St. Laurent station, said Connolly.

Route 91 is being added for riders who want to bypass the added stop.

A total of 37 buses will be brought in to service the Blair-Hurdman routes.

The new bus-only lanes on the highway will also take effect starting at 3 a.m. on Sunday.

The marked lanes can only be used by OC Transpo and emergency vehicles, and cannot

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Colleen Connolly

be used by the general public. Drivers caught using the lanes could be subject to a fine.

Richard Holder, manager of systems and operations integration with the rail implementation office, said drivers shouldn't worry about "a small percentage" of extra buses on highways.

"It sounds like a lot of buses, but when you compare that to the number of vehicles that are travelling through that corridor in the peak period, then it's actually not that much," he said.

"It's like have a few extra trucks on the highway."

The city said there will be signage informing riders of the new changes and staff will be posted at major stations to notify customers.



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IN BRIEF

Other third parties should follow HarperPAC's lead, close up shop: Kingsley
Canada's former chief electoral officer applauded the abrupt end of a controversial Conservative political action committee Friday and called on similar third-party groups to shut their doors as well.

Jean-Pierre Kingsley said he was "very happy" to learn the group known as HarperPAC had shut down, and said he believes others — including the left-leaning Engage Canada — ought to follow suit.

The website for HarperPAC disappeared Thursday after a party spokesman publicly criticized the group — particularly its choice of name.

"I think they should all shut down," Kingsley said.

"Wait for the writ to be dropped and then register as a third party as you're supposed to."

He has expressed fear that Canada has been going down a path similar to the U.S., where political action committees raise huge sums of money to influence outcomes. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Outbreak of salmonella linked to breaded chicken

The Public Health Agency says an outbreak of salmonella infections in four provinces has been linked to frozen raw breaded chicken products.

It says there are 44 cases of illness — 28 in Ontario, 12 in Quebec, and two each in Nova Scotia and Newfoundland and Labrador — and all became sick between Feb. 7 and May 23.

Twelve people have been hospitalized, but no deaths are reported.

The agency says illness can be avoided with safe food handling.

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NATO FAMILIES BID FAREWELL Cpl. Chevalier hugs his mother Helene, while Ghyslain Farly hugs his family, as they are gathered at CFB Valcartier, north of Quebec City, before leaving for Poland on Sunday. An initial group of Canadian Armed Forces members from Valcartier left to take part in the fourth rotation of Operation Reassurance as part of a NATO response to Russian actions in central and eastern Europe. FRANCIS VACHON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ukrainians clamour for Canadian TV shows

MEDIA

Pulling Russian content leads to gaps in programming

The Littlest Hobo, Anne of Green Gables, maybe even Flashpoint could find a new lease on life in Ukraine as the country's broadcasting council scrambles to fill TV screens with something other than Russian programming, says a senior Ukrainian official.

To counter both real and perceived propaganda throughout

the war-torn country, President Petro Poroshenko's government pulled the plug on the Russian signals, leaving a dramatic hole in entertainment and information schedules, said Iurii Artemenko.

The country needs both replacement programming and hardware to improve its own radio and television signals.

Artemenko recently returned from a trip to South Korea, where he was pleading for content.

"We need high-quality content, shows, dramas, movies, cultural programs," he said at the same time as expressing his fondness for Quebec cinema.

In terms of equipment, Ukraine "doesn't need money, but tuners and transmitters"

+ BACKGROUND

Among the first targets of Russian special forces in the takeover of Crimea were the TV stations and broadcast outlets, which have now blocked all forms of Ukrainian programming

Artemenko says Canadian programs — dramas and comedies — would be an important uplift for an anxious population.

"I am journalist, my first profession, and I respect journalism, but I can give you lots of examples of Russian propaganda," he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

to increase coverage in border regions.

The Russians, he said, use television very effectively to incite unrest in the East, claiming that actors are interviewed for news programs and fabricate stories of Ukrainian atrocities.

Information is still freely available on the Internet and Artemenko says there's been no attempt to block or censor online feeds — something the former journalist says he would oppose.

"Given this diversity, it becomes obvious that any counter-radicalization needs to be tailored to the specifics of the case. Flexibility is the name of the game." THE CANADIAN PRESS

OTTAWA

Opponents of memorial taking it to court

Architectural professionals and community groups are going to court to halt work on a controversial monument to victims of communism.

The groups have begun an application in Federal Court challenging the National Capital Commission's decision to break ground for the project.

The lawsuit by the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, Heritage Ottawa, and architects Barry Padolsky and Shirley Blumberg alleges that the NCC violated its own procedures and acted illegally in deciding to pre-

pare the monument site, despite having no finalized and approved design for it.

The monument has sparked controversy because it is seen as an ideologically driven project by the Harper government that would be out of sync with its surroundings.

The NCC — an unelected body of federal appointees that oversees land in and around the capital — has ten days to oppose the application.

The commission said Thursday that the monument would occupy about two-thirds the space

on a prime piece of land near the Supreme Court of Canada than originally planned, and would only be half as tall.

Legal action was necessary, the groups said in a statement, not because of opposition to the monument itself, but because it's a bad location and the NCC didn't hold proper public consultations before going ahead with the project.

"The applicants do not oppose the commemorative intent of the memorial and believe that other appropriate sites exist," read a news release. THE CANADIAN PRESS

RESEARCH

Path to jihadism varies

A federally funded study of young people who embraced radical jihadism found they had little else in common, suggesting efforts to discourage extremism must be flexible and tailored to individual cases.

Terrorist Chatter: Understanding What Terrorists Talk About, examined the online activities of seven men who were born or raised in the U.S. and were active in the jihadist scene.

All seven were either convicted of terrorism-related offences or, in two cases, killed in extremist-related incidents.

The study by U.S. firm Flashpoint was funded through the federal government's Kanishka program, a terrorism research effort led by Public Safety Canada.

Flashpoint compiled 1,871 online posts written by the men in open forums over several years.

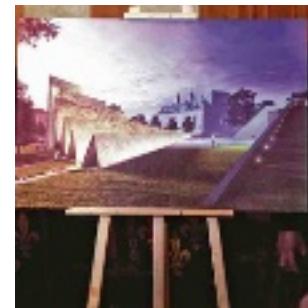
The researchers stress their work cannot claim to be a complete analysis of the views of the seven men, let alone a comprehensive overview of what all terrorists discuss and believe.

But they hope it will help guide authorities in devising counter-radicalization programs.

The authors say radicalization is a highly complex and individualized process, often shaped by a poorly understood mix of factors.

While all seven subjects shared a common background, it appeared from their online activities that their interests, views and approaches were highly varied. Some were focused on religion, while others were more into politics. Some immediately adopted a jihadist mindset and others took much longer.

"Given this diversity, it becomes obvious that any counter-radicalization needs to be tailored to the specifics of the case. Flexibility is the name of the game." THE CANADIAN PRESS



An artist's rendering of the monument to victims of communism. HANDBOUT/
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Towns giving away land to attract new residents

HOMEBUILDING

Aging Quebec town one of many offering 'incentives'

Large parts of Canada were settled thanks to a government policy of giving out free land to anyone willing to show up and farm it.

And although the federal government largely stopped giving out Crown land in the 1930s, some small towns are continuing the tradition by giving their land away for free.

Saint-Louis-de-Blandford, a 900-resident community about an hour southwest of Quebec City, decided to take a creative approach to increasing its population. The town purchased a large tract of land and subdivided it into 40 lots which they gave away for free, beginning in 2013, to anyone willing to move there and build a house.

"The problem faced by towns of our size is devitalization that happens quietly as young people move to cities," Mayor Gilles Marchand said. "We figure this will be an incentive for the young and the less young who want to put their money toward home-building."

The town's policy requires buyers to put a \$1,000 down payment on a lot and commit to building a house worth \$125,000 within a year. The municipality then refunds the down payment.

Saint-Louis-de-Blandford isn't alone with the idea.

Reston, Man., implemented a similar plan a few years ago to give away land for \$10.

Tanis Chalmers, the economic development manager for the



Christian Martin stands Friday on the land the municipality has given him and where he is building a home, in Saint-Louis-de-Blandford, Que. JACQUES BOISSINOT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Rural Municipality of Pipestone, which includes Reston, says the program has been a success.

Of the 24 available lots, 19 have been given away and the municipality has expanded the program to the neighbouring towns of Pipestone and Sinclair. Chalmers says about 20 homes have been built in the last two years in Reston. This represents a population increase of 50 people — not bad for a town of 500.

Chalmers says small communities have to compete for residents by offering something special.

"The towns that surround us are larger centres," she adds.



(Larger centres) may not be able to offer the same incentives we can. But they have their size and the services they offer. This is our way of competing. Tanis Chalmers

"They may not be able to offer the same incentives we can. But they have their size and the services they offer. This is our way of competing with these communities."

Both Chalmers and Marchand believe their towns will profit in the long run by collecting property taxes on the homes. They say a larger population also reduces

the cost of services, per capita, and hopefully leads to increased commercial development.

Several small towns in Saskatchewan have experimented with a \$1 lot policy in recent years, while Kings Point, N.L., posted on social media earlier this year that it was considering a land giveaway as well.

Each town does things a lit-

tle differently. Some offer lots that are hooked up to sewer and water, while others are on unserviced land. Some also have conditions on the type of construction.

There is also still a little free Crown land available — mostly in the Yukon for people who are tough enough to develop Arctic lands for agricultural purposes through the territory's Agricultural Lands Program.

Giving away free land may not pay off for small towns in the long run, cautions Concordia University professor Bill Reimer, who specializes in rural issues. He said the property tax revenues generated by new residences often aren't enough to cover the costs of roads, city staff and services.

"Most research examining the long-term returns for various community land-use strategies indicates that residential land use ends up costing communities more than it provides returns," he said by email.

The key, he said, is to attract businesses as well.

Both Reston and Saint-Louis-de-Blandford offer incentives ranging from tax breaks to cash grants to attract new commerce — something Marchand and Chalmers admit is a little more difficult than luring residents.

Despite the note of caution, they both say their programs have helped their towns as well as residents such as Christian Martin, who recently moved back to the Saint-Louis-de-Blandford region after 10 years away.

He received a free 5,500 square-foot (510-square-metre) lot — big enough that he was able to dig a lake on his property in addition to building himself a spacious home.

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GUELPH Nipple fears exposed

Linda Meyer loves talking about her breasts — although, at 54, she thought she'd be done talking about them a long time ago.

Then she heard about an Ontario girl who was told to cover her bare top while swimming in a wading pool this month.

"That's a rule and it ain't a bloody law," she says from her home in Maple Ridge, B.C. "Where did this take place again?"

In Guelph, Ont., where nearly 25 years ago, Gwen Jacob strolled through the streets to win the right to walk topless, eight-year-old Marlee McLean's attempt to frolic in the water topless, just like her three stepbrothers, made headlines across Canada.

A 1996 appeal court ruling in Ontario granted women the right to bare their breasts in public after the 19-year-old Jacob, a Guelph university student, was charged with committing an indecent act when she walked home shirtless on a hot summer day five years earlier.

Meyer's own breasts became national news 15 years ago when she was charged for violating a bylaw when she went for a topless dip at a city-run pool and successfully challenged the law in the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

The rules might also be changing in Guelph. The city has suspended its practice pending a review after Marlee McLean's story erupted in a firestorm.

A lifeguard told Marlee she was breaking the rules, which state that girls over the age of four have to wear a top. Her father, Cory McLean, was livid and said the rules had "sexualized" his daughter and made her feel ashamed about her body. THE CANADIAN PRESS

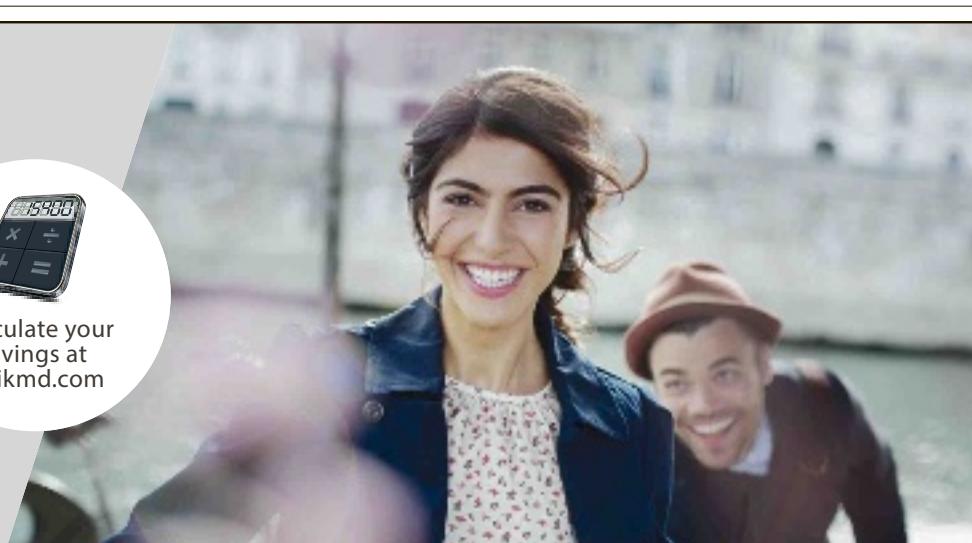
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LGBTQ

Pride parades take on a celebratory tone

Rainbows and good cheer were out in force Sunday as hundreds of thousands of people packed gay pride events from Seattle to New York City, where the governor officiated at a wedding, just days after the U.S. Supreme Court's landmark ruling legalizing same-sex marriage.

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo made use of some newly granted powers by officiating at the wedding ceremony of a same-sex couple in Manhattan in front of the Stonewall Inn, where years ago gay bar patrons stood up to a police raid. New York state legalized same-sex marriage in 2011.

State law did not allow Cuomo to officiate at wedding ceremonies until last week. The author-

ity to do so was granted as part of a slew of legislation passed days ago.

This year, parades are taking on a more celebratory tone.

Organizers of San Francisco's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Parade, just called Pride, expected about a million revellers. It had 240 groups marching in the parade and more than 30 floats, its largest in 45 years.

"It's going to be an epic weekend," echoed David Studinski, march director for New York City Pride on Friday. "I actually just wrote on Twitter that this is the most historic Pride march since the first." New York City expected 22,000 people marching along a three-kilometre route and more than two million people to visit throughout the day.

At gay pride parades in Dublin, Paris and other cities Saturday, the U.S. ruling was hailed by many as a watershed.

"Soon in all countries we will be able to marry," said Celine Schlezwitz, a 25-year-old nurse taking part in the Paris parade. "Finally a freedom for everyone."

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This is definitely going to be a momentous Pride weekend all over the country.

Eric Bennett, president of Seattle Pride



Corrections officers wave to passing motorists who cheered them after the second of two escaped prisoners was apprehended on Sunday in Constable, N.Y. MIKE GROLL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

2nd convict in prison break shot, captured

CONSTABLE, NEW YORK

Three weeks after escape, Sweat nabbed near border

The second of two convicted murderers who staged a brazen escape three weeks ago from a maximum-security prison in northern New York was shot and captured near the Canadian border on Sunday. The incident happened two days after David Sweat's fellow inmate was killed in a confrontation with border patrol agents when he failed to respond to

A trooper shot the convict in the town of Constable, about three kilometres south of the Canadian border and 48 km from the prison, after spotting a suspicious man walking down a road Sunday afternoon, state police said. Sweat was taken into police custody and transported to a hospital for treatment of his injuries, they said. His condition was not immediately known.

State police did not immediately say why the trooper fired at Sweat or whether he was armed. Fellow inmate Richard Matt was killed Friday afternoon during an encounter with border patrol agents when he failed to respond to

It's a little unnerving, him being so close. I'm just glad it's over.

Constable resident Trevor Buchanan

an order to raise his hands.

According to U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., federal law enforcement said Sweat was shot twice and coughing up blood as he was taken to a hospital. He said no officers were believed to be injured.

Matt and Sweat used power

tools to saw through a steel cell wall and several steel steam pipes, bashed a hole through a two-foot-thick brick wall, squirmed through pipes and emerged from a manhole outside the Clinton Correctional Facility in Dannemora on June 6.

Sweat was serving a sentence of life without parole in the killing of a sheriff's deputy in Broome County in 2002. Matt was serving 25 years to life for the killing and dismembering of his former boss. They were added to the U.S. Marshals Service's 15 Most Wanted fugitives list two weeks after getting away. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASA

Launch to space station ends in failure

An unmanned SpaceX rocket carrying supplies and a first-of-its-kind docking port to the International Space Station broke apart Sunday shortly after liftoff. It was a severe blow to NASA, still reeling from previous failed shipments.

The accident happened about 2 1/2 minutes into the flight from Cape Canaveral, Florida. A billowing white cloud emerged in the sky, growing bigger and bigger, then fiery plumes shot out of where the rocket was supposed to be, and pieces could be seen falling into the Atlantic. More than 2,360 kilograms of space

station cargo were on board, including the first docking port designed for future commercial crew capsules. No astronauts were on board.

The rocket shattered while travelling at 4,670 km/h, about 43 kilometres up. Everything appeared to go well in the flight until the rocket went supersonic.

SpaceX founder and chief executive Elon Musk later said an over pressurization occurred in the liquid-oxygen tank of the rocket's upper stage.

SpaceX President Gwynne Shotwell assured reporters, at an early afternoon news confer-

ence, that the company will fix the problem — "and get back to flight." She declined to speculate on what it would take to resume launches. She said the company had followed all procedures with respect to safety.

Losing this shipment — which included replacements for items lost in two previous failed supply flights — was a huge setback for NASA. The space agency is counting on private industry to transport cargo — and eventually astronauts — to the orbiting lab. The California-based SpaceX is one of the contenders.

"This is a tough day," said

NASA's top spaceflight official, William Gerstenmaier. He said there was nothing common among the three accidents, "other than it's space and it's difficult to go fly."

This is the second failed station shipment in a row and the third in eight months.

NASA Administrator Charles Bolden stressed that the space station crew is in no immediate trouble because of this latest loss. NASA's space station program manager, Mike Suffredini, said the outpost had enough supplies on board to make it to October or so. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



The SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket and Dragon spacecraft lifts off from Space Launch Complex 40 in Cape Canaveral, Fla. on Sunday. JOHN RAOUX/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Police officers guard the scene of the attack in Sousse, Tunisia, on June 28. Tunisia's top security official says 1,000 extra police are being deployed at tourist sites and beaches in the North African nation after Friday's attack. ABDELJALIL BOUHAR/The Associated Press

SOUSSE

Manhunt on after Tunisian attack

The student who massacred holidaymakers on a Tunisian beach and at a swank resort hotel acted alone during the attack but had accomplices who supported him beforehand, an Interior Ministry official said Sunday.

Police were searching nationwide for more suspects after the slaughter of at least 38 people in Sousse on Friday, in Tunisia's deadliest ever such attack. The attacker's father and three roommates were detained and being questioned in the capital, Tunis, Interior Ministry spokesman Mohamed Ali Aroui told The Associated Press.

The attacker has been identified as Seifeddine Rezgui, a 24-year-old graduate of Tunisia's

Kairouan University where he had been living with the other students. The attack was claimed by the radical ISIL.

"We are sure that others helped, but did not participate," Aroui said. "They participated indirectly."

Investigators believe the suspected accomplices provided the Kalashnikov assault rifle to Rezgui and helped him get to the scene, Aroui said.

Authorities have yet to suggest a motive for the carnage. A security official close to the investigation said the student frequented an "unofficial" mosque in the Tunisian holy city of Kairouan for the past two years.

The official said a swimmer

had found the attacker's cell-phone in the Mediterranean. The phone showed the attacker spoke with his father just before his assault, the official said on condition of anonymity.

Friday's attack on the Imperial Marhaba Hotel shook this North African nation that thrives on tourism.

British counterterrorism police official Mark Rowley said Sunday that Britain has mobilized more than 600 officers and staff — one of the force's largest counterterrorism deployments in recent years — in response to the attack.

At least 15 Britons were among the 38 killed.

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CRIME

Whitey Bulger to teens: 'My life was wasted'

Former Boston crime boss James "Whitey" Bulger had some advice for three Massachusetts high school girls who wrote to him for a history project: Crime doesn't pay.

The 85-year-old sent the handwritten letter, dated Feb. 24, from federal prison in Florida where he is serving two life sentences, The Boston Globe reported Sunday.

"My life was wasted and spent foolishly, brought shame and suffering on my parents and siblings and will end soon,"

Bulger wrote.

He went on to write: "Advice is a cheap commodity some seek it from me about crime — I know only one thing for sure — If you want to make crime pay — Go to Law School."

Bulger, a former FBI informant whose case brought scrutiny to the agency, was convicted in 2013 on racketeering charges that included playing a role in 11 murders. His lawyers are appealing his conviction before the federal appeals court in Boston next month. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ITALY

2,900 migrants saved from smugglers' boats

Italian coast guard ships and vessels from a multi-nation naval mission and humanitarian organizations rescued at least 2,900 migrants Sunday from 21 boats launched by smugglers from Libyan shores, authorities said.

The coast guard said the rescues were carried out by military vessels from Italy, Spain, Ireland, Britain as well as a boat run by humanitarian personnel.

The Irish naval vessel Le Eithne was involved in at least six of the operations Sunday, rescuing nearly 600 migrants

Biden speaks at Sunday service

CHARLESTON SHOOTING

VP attends Emanuel church ahead of funeral

Vice-President Joe Biden worshipped and spoke at the Sunday service of the historic African-American church where nine people were gunned down during Bible study earlier this month just hours before a funeral was held for another of the shooting victims.

The vice-president's surprise appearance came on the second Sunday the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church held regular services following the June 17 shooting. Police contend the attack was racially motivated and have charged a 21-year-old white man.

Biden said he'd visited Emanuel before and knew the Rev. Clementa Pinckney, the pastor of the church who was among those killed.

"We came back because my family and I wanted to show solidarity with the families and with the church," said Biden, wearing a purple tie, a traditional colour of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Biden, a Catholic, showed the congregation the rosary beads he wore around his wrist and spoke about the feeling of loss within his own life.

The vice-president's son, Beau, died late last month of brain cancer. Beau Biden narrowly avoided death as a young boy in a 1972 car crash that killed Joe Biden's first wife and his daughter.

"The reason I came was to draw strength from all of you," Biden said. "I wish I could say

something that would ease the pain."

Biden received a standing ovation during the 2-1/2-hour service after reading a selection of scripture. He later joined the congregation in holding hands and singing, We Shall Overcome.

The Sunday morning service came hours before the church held a funeral for shooting victim DePayne Middleton-Doctor. The 49-year-old pastor and mother of four decided in January to return to her childhood roots in the AME faith and attend Emanuel after years attending a Baptist church.

The crowd of family and friends was so large at the funeral that many watched the service on closed-circuit TV from the church's first floor, where the shooting took place. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

+ FLAG-FILCHER RELEASED FROM JAIL

The two people arrested for removing the Confederate flag from the front of the South Carolina Statehouse have been released from jail in the state capital.

Officer L. Tucker of the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center said 30-year-old Bree Newsome and 30-year-old James Ian Tyson were released from jail Saturday after posting bond. Both Newsome and Tyson are from Charlotte.

Newsome was about halfway up the more than 30-foot steel flagpole just after dawn Saturday when officers of the South Carolina Bureau of Protective Services ran to the flagpole and told her to get down. Instead, she continued up the pole and removed the flag. Newsome and Ian Tyson

have been charged with defacing monuments on state capitol grounds. That's a misdemeanor that carries a fine up to \$5,000, a prison term up to three years or both.

About the time of her arrest, Newsome released an email statement to the media. "We removed the flag today because we can't wait any longer. We can't continue like this another day," it said. "It's time for a new chapter where we are sincere about dismantling white supremacy and building toward true racial justice and equality."

According to the crowdfunding site Indiegogo, the Bail for Bree Newsome fund had raised just over \$77,000 in nine hours.

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60,000

So far this year, some 60,000 migrants saved by ships in a multi-nation search and rescue mission have been brought to Italian ports.

from inflatable rubber dinghies that needed help in the waters northwest of Libya, according to an Irish military statement.

About 100 of the migrants

were being brought to the tiny island of Lampedusa, off Sicily. Authorities were determining which larger, southern Italian ports would receive the others on Monday.

Libyan-based smugglers tend to wait out spells of rough seas and then launch many of their boats, either unseaworthy wooden fishing boats or motorized dinghies, when the Mediterranean is calmer.

Satellite phones are used to call for help from the Italian coast guard, which then requests that naval vessels or

cargo ships in the area come to the migrants' aid. Some days this year have seen thousands of migrants rescued from many boats.

Many seek asylum from wars or persecution in Africa or the Middle East, and hope to reach families in northern Europe.

Italy wants northern European countries to take in fixed numbers of migrants. EU discussions about Italy's appeal have so far yielded plans for such help on a voluntary basis.

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TAIWAN

Hundreds of burn victims still in care

More than 400 people, many of them seriously burned, remained in hospitals Sunday after a fire spread into a crowd of spectators at a music party at a Taiwan water park, authorities said.

The fire late Saturday was sparked by an accidental explosion of coloured theatrical powder thrown from the stage in front of about 1,000 people, the local fire agency and media said. The powder for the one-time event called "Color Play Asia" ignited along the ground, mainly burning people's lower bodies, said Wang Wei-sheng, a liaison with the New Taipei City fire department.

The exact cause was still being investigated, but Taiwan

519

A total of 519 people were injured, the city says.

Premier Mao Chih-kuo banned public activities that use the coloured powder.

A total of 519 people were injured at the Formosa Water Park, according to a statement from the city's health bureau. It said 419 remained hospitalized on Sunday afternoon, about half of whom were seriously injured, including 184 in intensive care.

Taiwan's Central News Agency said police were questioning two workers who launched the powder as well as the party's on-site organizer and two technicians. They may face charges of professional negligence causing serious injuries and endangering the public, it said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ENVIRONMENTALISM

Pope echoes 'One Earth, one family'

Pope Francis on Sunday encouraged people of different religions to work together in caring for the Earth, which he called our "common house."

Speaking from his window in a Vatican palazzo to tens of thousands of pilgrims and tourists, Francis singled out a few hundred people who had marched to St. Peter's Square under the banner "One Earth, one family."

The marchers included Christians, Muslims, Jews, Hindus and others who had walked from near the French embassy to remind people of a key UN climate-change conference in Paris in December.

"I encourage the collaboration between persons and

+ WRITINGS

In a recent encyclical, or church teaching document, about the environment, Francis wrote passionately about the world's moral duty to save the Earth and move away from business systems that pollute.

associations of different religions on behalf of an integral ecology," Francis said, offering good wishes to young people discussing what he described as "the care of the common house."

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IN BRIEF

Police recover stolen hearse and body inside

Atlanta police say a hearse with a body inside was stolen outside a hospital. Both were recovered a short time later.

Officer Ralph Woolfolk said authorities believe the hearse was taken Sunday morning outside Grady Memorial Hospital. Woolfolk told a local newspaper that the culprit abandoned the hearse a few blocks from Grady, then stole a Ford Explorer and drove off. Police were still searching for suspects Sunday afternoon.

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Three get one year's prison labour for music video

An Egyptian court has sentenced three people involved in a racy music video to one year in prison with labour for "inciting debauchery."

The video, titled Hands Off, contains scantily clad dancing and shaking but no nudity. Reda al-Fouly, the woman dancing in the low-budget video, was arrested last month along with the clip's cameraman after it went viral on social media. The video has been viewed nearly 1.9 million times. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



The suspect in the beheading of a businessman is escorted by police officers from his home in Saint-Priest, outside the city of Lyon, central France, on Sunday. A towel sits over the suspect's head to hide his face. LAURENT CIPRIANI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Police seek global ties to beheading

FRANCE

Suspect sent grisly selfie to Canadian phone: Official

Police investigators escorted a man accused of a beheading to his home in southeastern France on Sunday, searching for a possible international link to the killing after he sent a photo of the victim to a contact in Syria, a security official said.

Yassine Salhi, 35, was handcuffed and wearing jeans, a knee-

length djellabah robe and a loose towel over his head when judicial police led him into his residence in the town of Saint-Priest, outside the city of Lyon.

The official said police were searching for Salhi's passport to determine if he had travelled abroad before Friday's attack.

Salhi, a truck deliveryman and father of three with a history of ties to Islamic extremists, admitted earlier to killing the manager of the transportation company that had employed Salhi since March, officials said.

The official also said Salhi had sent a macabre "selfie" photo of himself and the victim to a man

that he had recently disputed with his wife and employer, was suicidal and had wanted to make a media splash with a killing that had the markings of terrorism.

French authorities say Salhi had links to radical Salafists in the past.

The suspect allegedly crashed a truck into a U.S.-owned chemical warehouse on Friday, setting off an explosion, and hung his employer's head on the factory's gate. He was quickly arrested afterward. Officials had previously said he sent the selfie of himself and the victim to a Canadian mobile phone number.

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IRAN

Nuclear talks to go past deadline: Official



I am convinced that if there is no agreement, everyone loses.

German Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier

should give to UN experts monitoring his country's compliance to any deal.

The dispute over access surfaced again Sunday, with Iran-

ian Gen. Masoud Jazayeri saying that any inspection by foreigners of Iran's military centres is prohibited.

He said the attempt by the U.S. and its allies to "obtain Iran's military information for years ... by the pressure of sanctions" will not succeed.

But German Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier said Iran's "nuclear activities, no matter where they take place," must be verifiable.

Officials said they could not speculate on how many days' extension the talks would need.

Arguing for more time to allow the U.S. to drive a harder bargain, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu — a fierce opponent of the talks — weighed in on Sunday against "this bad agreement, which is becoming worse by the day."

The goal of the talks involving Iran and the U.S., Britain, China, France, Germany and Russia is a deal that would ease sanctions in exchange for crimping Tehran's capacity to make nuclear weapons. Iran insists it does not want such arms.

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Japanese fans celebrate life of goddess cat Tama

OBITUARY

Legendary calico dies of heart failure at age 16

Tama the stationmaster, Japan's feline star of a struggling local railway, was mourned by company officials and fans and elevated into a goddess at a funeral Sunday.

The calico cat was appointed stationmaster at the Kishi station in western Japan in 2007.

Donning her custom-made stationmaster's cap, Tama quietly sat at the ticket gate welcoming and seeing off passengers.

The cat quickly attracted tourists and became world-famous, contributing to the railway company and local economy.

Tama, who had turned 16 in April, died of a heart failure on June 22.

During Sunday's Shinto-style funeral at the station where she served, Tama became a goddess. The Shinto religion, indigenous to Japan and practiced by many Japanese, has a variety of gods

\$8.9m

During her tenure as the railway's feline stationmaster, Tama contributed an estimated \$8.9m (1.1 billion yen) to the local economy.

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In this April 29 photo, Tama, a cat stationmaster, Japan's feline star of a struggling local railway, receives a birthday cake on her 16th birthday in Kinokawa, Wakayama Prefecture, western Japan. Tama was mourned by company officials and fans and elevated into a goddess at a funeral Sunday. Tama died of a heart failure on June 22. KYODO NEWS VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

including animals.

In one of several portraits decorating the altar, Tama posed in a stationmaster's hat and a dark blue cape.

Sake, as well as watermelon, apples, cabbage and other fruits and vegetables were presented to the cat.

A stand outside the station was heaped with bouquets, canned tuna and other gifts left by thousands of Tama fans who came to pray from around the country.

Wakayama Electric Railway President Mitsunobu Kojima thanked the cat for her achievement, and said Tama will be enshrined at a nearby cat shrine

in August.

Before Tama's arrival, the local Kishigawa Line was near-bankrupt.

The station was unmanned

Tama-chan really emerged like a saviour, a goddess. It was truly my honour to have been able to work with her.

Wakayama Electric Railway President Mitsunobu Kojima on the company's late feline stationmaster

as it had lost its last staff.

Kojima said appointing Tama as stationmaster was initially an excuse to keep the cat at the station.

"But she was really doing her job," he said. The rest was a miracle, and his company's success story also gave hope for dozens of other struggling tiny local train lines, he said.

"Tama-chan really emerged like a saviour, a goddess. It was truly my honour to have been able to work with her," Kojima said in his speech.

During her tenure, Tama had contributed an estimated 1.1 billion yen (\$8.9 million US) to the local economy, Kojima said.

Kojima said that when he visited Tama at an animal hospital the day before she died, the cat woke up and reached out to him with her paws, as if asking for a hug, and looked straight into his eyes.

He said he told Tama to get well so they can celebrate the cat's upcoming 10th anniversary as a stationmaster, and said the cat responded with a "meow."

Tama is a popular name for cats in Japan, where they are considered spiritual animals.

The word could translate as treasure, ball or spirit.

The cat had climbed the corporate ladder from stationmaster to "ultra-stationmaster" and vice-president of the company before receiving the additional title Sunday of "honourable eternal stationmaster."

Tama will be succeeded by another calico cat, Nitama, now an apprentice stationmaster.

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DEMOGRAPHICS

Jewish populace nearly at '39 level

The world's Jewish population has grown to be nearly as large as it was before the Holocaust, an Israeli think-tank said in its annual report Sunday.

The Jewish People Policy Institute said there are currently 14.2 million Jews in the world. When factoring in individuals with one Jewish parent and others who identify as partially Jewish, the figure approaches 16.5 million — the Jewish population on the eve of World War II. The Nazis and their collaborators murdered about six million Jews in the Holocaust.

The report said the rise has been due in part to natural growth, mainly in Israel, which has about 6.1 million Jews and one of the Western world's highest fertility rates.

But it also linked the growth to "changing patterns of Jewish identification." It said that 59 per cent of adult children in the U.S. who have just one Jewish parent now identify as Jewish, a majority "for the first time in memory."

Avinoam Bar-Yosef, the institute's president, said more of those Jews were probably identifying as Jewish because it is more "respectable" to be Jewish in the U.S. than it was years ago.

Still, the report said that the number of Jewish Americans who are not Orthodox, yet who have strong Jewish identities and are integrated into American society, is shrinking. It attributed that decrease to a rise in intermarriage and low birth rates.

The United States has the world's second-largest Jewish population at 5.7 million. France is a distant third with about 475,000 Jews, followed by Canada.

The report, which was presented to the Israeli Cabinet on Sunday, dubs itself an "annual stocktaking of the Jewish world." It offered policy recommendations to strengthen Jewish identity and foster links between Israel and the international Jewish diaspora.

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16.5M

When factoring in individuals with one Jewish parent and others who identify as partially Jewish, the number of Jews in the world today approaches 16.5 million.

SERBIA

Monument honours assassin

On Sunday, Serbia unveiled a monument to Gavrilo Princip, whose assassination of the Austro-Hungarian crown prince in Sarajevo helped ignite the First World War and still provokes controversy in the ethnically-divided Balkans.

Hundreds of citizens attended the ceremony in central Belgrade held on the anniversary of the 1914 assassination which is also the Serbian national holiday of St. Vitus Day.

President Tomislav Nikolic described Princip — viewed as a terrorist by many outside Serbia — as a freedom fighter and hero.

"Today, we are not afraid of the truth," Nikolic said. "Gavrilo Princip was a hero, a symbol of

the idea of freedom, the assassin of tyrants and the carrier of the European idea of liberation from slavery."

He added that "others can think whatever they want."

Austria accused Serbia of masterminding the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo on June 28, 1914. Backed by Germany, Austria attacked Serbia, whose allies, Russia and France, were quickly drawn into the conflict. Britain, with its sprawling Commonwealth empire, and the United States also joined the fighting.

Princip's legacy is also viewed differently by different nations in the Balkans, which remains a smouldering patchwork of

ethnic and religious rivalries two decades after the end of the conflict in the 1990s that followed the breakup of the former Yugoslavia.

In Bosnia, Serbs regard Princip as a hero, while the country's Muslims and Croats widely regard him as a killer and a Serbian nationalist whose goal was Bosnia's occupation by Serbia. A century ago, Muslim Bosnians and Catholic Croats preferred to stay in the big Austrian empire that had brought progress, law and order.

Bosnian Serb leader Milorad Dodik said during the Belgrade ceremony that the unveiling of the Princip monument amounted to "fighting for freedom today." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ANIMALS

World's ugliest dog a 'bubbly' mutt

A 10-year-old mutt named Quasi Modo, whose spinal birth defects left her a bit hunched over, is the winner of this year's World's Ugliest Dog contest.

The pit bull-Dutch shepherd mix and her owner took the \$1,500 prize Friday night, besting 25 other dogs, organizers said.

Quasi Modo was abandoned at an animal shelter before being adopted by a veterinarian in Loxahatchee, Florida, according to her biography posted on the contest's website.

"My appearance can be a little unsettling to some (I have had grown men jump on top of their cars to get away from me because they thought I was a hyena or

Tasmanian devil) but once they get to know me I win them over with my bubbly personality," her biography said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Quasi Modo won top honours in the World's Ugliest Dog Contest at the Sonoma-Marin Fair on Friday in Petaluma, Calif.

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RETAIL

Sears turnaround is 'improbable': Expert

Time is running out for struggling department store chain Sears Canada to improve its financial results and the chances of survival are slim, says one retail analyst.

Keith Howlett of Desjardins published a report Friday saying it's "now or never" for the money-losing company to make headway on a turnaround that has dragged on for several years with little progress.

"The next seven quarters are 'make it or break it' for Sears Canada," he wrote. "Our current view is that an operating turnaround is improbable."

Howlett's prediction suggests the fate of the company will be determined some time around the 2016 holiday shopping season. The company declined to

comment on the analyst report.

The stark outlook comes after Sears Canada made dramatic reductions to its operations, laying off 2,200 employees last year — with the brunt of the cuts at outsourcing call centres — while thousands more were eliminated in 2013.

Howlett said Sears Canada still has the financial resources to operate but signs point to further trouble ahead.

He has a sell rating on the stock and maintains a target price of \$8.50 a share.

Last month, Sears Canada Inc. posted a \$59.1-million net loss for the first quarter as revenues dropped 9.7 per cent from the same period a year earlier.

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CANADIAN TRADE

Cheap solar imports need tariffs: Businesses

A band of small Canadian solar panel manufacturers is banking on an upcoming trade decision in hopes of surviving an onslaught of low-priced Chinese imports.

The four Ontario companies said they hope a decision next week by Canada's International Trade Tribunal will uphold duties on imports they say are priced below the Chinese companies' actual cost of production.

"The best outcome for Ontario, for the entire solar community, is that there's a level playing field," says Geoff Atkins, who's in charge of business development for Silfab Solar in Mississauga.

"Obviously, if there are tariffs imposed that balance that playing field, that's certainly going to strengthen our position."

The counter argument: anti-dumping tariffs on Chinese imports would keep Canadian

prices higher and make it more difficult to eliminate the gap between the cost of producing solar power and the price of buying electricity off the power grid.

But Atkins and others in Canada's young solar manufacturing sector said Canada should follow the lead of the European Union and United States, which have already imposed tariffs on Chinese imports that allegedly violate international trading rules.

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The best outcome for Ontario, for the entire solar community, is that there's a level playing field.

Geoff Atkins, Silfab Solar

BULLFROG POWER

Green energy firm turns cooking oil to biofuel

It hasn't been an easy road for biofuels in Canada, but green energy producer Bullfrog Power is hoping to get some mileage out of a new program announced Friday.

Bullfrog is offering to arrange for used cooking oil to be converted into biodiesel for companies that want to

offset their carbon emissions, and later extend the program to retail customers.

A key issue is that the company is promoting the use of advanced biofuels fashioned from waste materials rather than food crops, one of the ongoing criticisms of the biofuel industry.

On the Canadian side of things policy has not been strong. There doesn't seem to be a lot of enthusiasm.

BioFuelNet Canada CEO Donald Smith



People stand in a queue to use an ATM machine at a bank in central Athens on Sunday. The European Central Bank refused to increase emergency credit to the banks. If Greece cannot get another bailout loan, banks across the country could be determined insolvent. DANIEL OCHOA DE OLZA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Greek banks shut down indefinitely

ECONOMY

European bailout set to expire Tuesday

Greece's five-year financial crisis took its most dramatic turn to date Sunday, with the prime minister announcing Greek banks would remain shut indefinitely and restrictions would be imposed on cash withdrawals.

The decision came on the recommendation of the Bank of Greece, Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras said during a televised address. He didn't immediately say what types of capital controls would be imposed.

The developments have thrown into question Greece's financial future and continued

membership in the 19-state-shared euro currency — and even the European Union.

For the past two days, Greeks have been rushing to ATMs to withdraw money across the country following Tsipras's sudden weekend decision to call a referendum on creditor proposals for Greek reforms in return for vital bailout funds.

The referendum decision, which was ratified by parliament after a marathon 13-hour session that ended in the early hours of Sunday, shocked and angered Greece's European partners.

Earlier Sunday, the European Central Bank decided not to increase the amount of emergency liquidity the lenders can access from the central bank — meaning they have no way to replenish fast diminishing deposits.

The referendum is set for

\$1.8 B

Greece is due to repay the IMF \$1.8 billion US on Tuesday — worth about \$1.6 billion euros.

next Sunday. But Greece's current bailout expires on Tuesday, and the \$8 billion US remaining in it will no longer be available to Greece after that date.

Without those funds, Greece is unlikely to be able to pay a \$1.8 billion US International Monetary Fund debt repayment due the same day.

Tsipras gave no details of how long banks will remain closed or what restrictions will be placed on transactions. Some European officials called for renewed efforts by both sides.

"We don't know — none of us — the consequences of an exit from the eurozone, either on the political or economic front. We must do everything so that Greece stays in the eurozone," French Prime Minister Manuel Valls told France's i-Tele TV earlier Sunday.

"But doing everything, that means respecting Greece and democracy, but it's also about respecting European rules. So Greece needs to come back to the negotiating table," he said.

On the banking front, the ECB has said it could reconsider its decision on credit levels.

"We continue to work closely with the Bank of Greece and we strongly endorse the commitment of member states in pledging to take action to address the fragilities of euro-area economies," ECB chief Mario Draghi said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Company CEO Ron Seftel said that he's pushing for more uptake of advanced biodiesel because it's less controversial, and it can reduce vehicle emissions by 90 per cent compared with conventional diesel.

"It's a pretty significant reduction in GHGs on a litre-per-litre basis," said Seftel.

Donald Smith, CEO of research group BioFuelNet Canada, said hopes for greater use of crop-based fuel in cars have suffered amid criticism over using food for fuel, questions about how much it actually

reduces emissions and lately the plunge in gasoline prices.

"On the Canadian side of things policy has not been strong," he said. "There doesn't seem to be a lot of enthusiasm."

Progress on advanced biofuels is further along in the United States, according to Smith, although there are some developments in Canada.

On Thursday, Atlantic Biodiesel opened a plant in southern Ontario that will convert canola and soybean oil into 170 million litres of biodiesel a year. THE CANADIAN PRESS

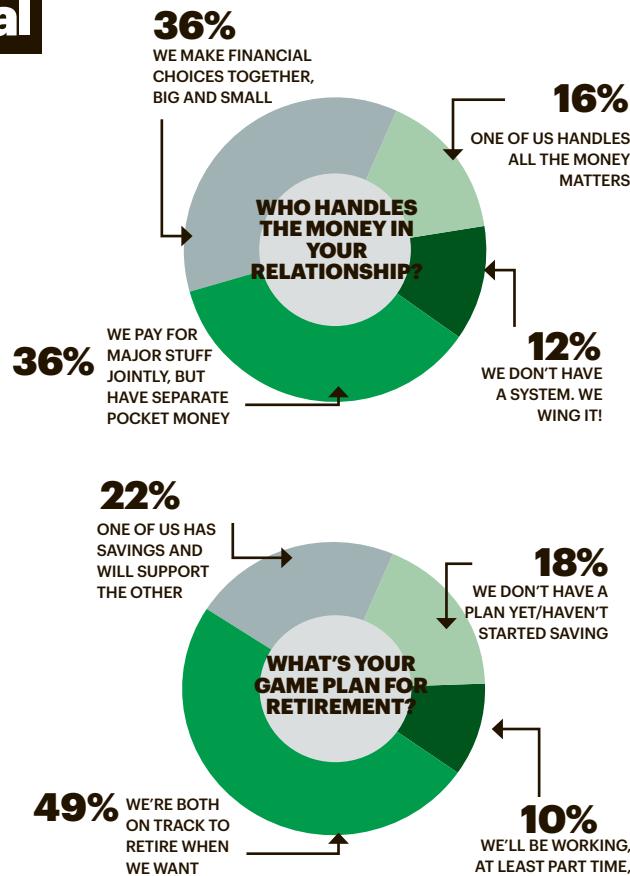
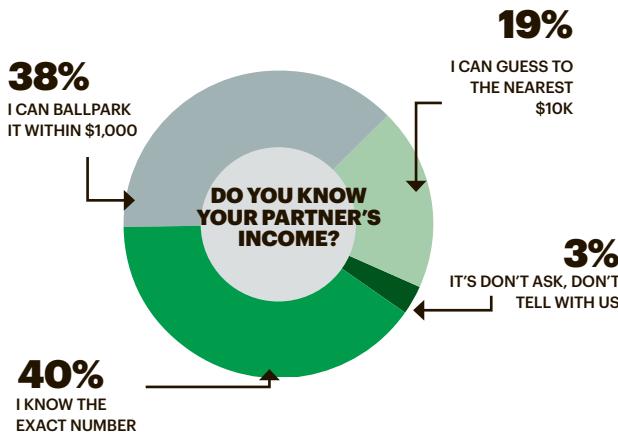
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THE BIG POLL: Let's get fiscal

Looks like many Americans are on track to bankrupt their love lives. A survey of 1,051 upper middle-class couples (married and unmarried, same- and opposite-sex) published in The Associated Press found 36 per cent of partners disagreed about how much money they had to invest. Forty-three per cent didn't know how much their partner earned. Of those, 10 per cent were off by \$25,000 or more, proving talking about money is still taboo. We asked Metro readers how open they are about money in love.



LRT upgrades cost us more than just money



Good Monday to you, and welcome OC Transpo commuters, to your new bus-free eastern Transitway, and eastern Transitway-free buses.

As predicted in this space, the mayor, premier, and other hard-hatted, shovel-gripping VIPs, better disposed to ribbon-cuttings and ground-breakings, gave the Grand Closing from Hurdman to Blair a miss. The deed was quietly done at 3 a.m. on Sunday without their official observance of the milestone.

In their place, senior city staff from various departments held a media briefing Friday to spell out once more the route-by-route, station-by-station implications of this chapter in light rail (LRT)

construction, and measures to help riders cope. Only 16 per cent of OC Transpo's 350,000 daily riders, they told us, will find their trip affected, generally for the slower, as a result of the shutdown and redirection of buses onto highways. (Riders of the eastbound Route 95 in the afternoon rush can expect the biggest delays, at 12-16 minutes.)

It sounds reassuring, but some of us remember the Great Optimization of 2011 — the \$20-million service cut that we were told would only be noticed by seven per cent of riders.

It turned out to be more noticeable than that, judging by the volume of complaints and the hasty reversals of a couple of route cuts. Ridership began a years-long decline that's only recently started levelling off, though OC Transpo has consistently blamed federal job cuts for the dip.

The introduction, in peak periods, of up to 120 buses an hour in their new designated highway lanes is not expected to cause major delays for car commuters, though they can count on some extra aggravation at exits and other sticking points like St. Laurent, where buses will cross two lanes of traffic to get from the bus lane into the station.

Though it sounds like a lot of buses, we're told the armada is nothing in proportion to the daily volume of traffic on the 417 and 174. Helpfully, summer traffic volumes are 15 to 20 per cent lower than the rest of the year, so there's time for adjustment before things get serious in the fall.

Meanwhile, back on the buses, riders will adjust as they always have. They're being told to allow for extra time, as if that's not already standard procedure. Any delays from this latest hiccup

will just be added to the usual assortment of late arrivals, missed connections and other little surprises that face intrepid strap-hangers every day.

We think of the LRT as a flat \$2.1 billion investment by three levels of government, but that ignores riders' payments in time, uncertainty, and endless apologies to bosses, friends, dentists, etc., for being late once again.

This week's shutdown is just another down payment on light rail, and more instalments loom as the Transitway shuts down further west. Riders will have to keep assuring themselves these sacrifices will pay off in 2018 — and absorb another annual fare increase Wednesday.

Steve Collins lives in Ottawa. He might also be the guy behind you on the bus, pretending not to notice you're reading this. Act casual.

metroview

The next time you whine, Millennials, thank Generation X

Tim Querengesser
Metro | Edmonton

I was born in 1977. Three years later, I'd have been a Millennial; I wish. I had no idea I was in Gen X until Gen Y (a.k.a. Millennials) became a thing. Only then did I start hearing how this new generation had it tough: bleaker job prospects than their parents, unpaid internships, student debt from multiple degrees that opened few doors, and, of course, the likelihood that when it's time to rely on the social safety net, we'll fall through.

We hear this daily, but there are reasons it's now and not during the 1990s and early 2000s, when Gen Xers like myself faced the same challenges.

Partly, it's numbers. Generation Xers (born from the mid-1960s to 1980) will outnumber baby boomers (1945-1960) by 2028, when, thanks to age or death, there will be about 64 million of us in the U.S. (there are no such numbers for Canada). This is a hollow victory. The Gen Ys (born between 1980 and the turn of the century) are overtaking boomers now.

As Gen Xers, that tiny generation with Kurt Cobain and Jerry Seinfeld as our symbols, we're used to this. When it's less advantageous to be young, we are; when more advantageous, we're not. Indeed, if generations were a fashion, we'd be MC Hammer's pants.

Consider: In my early 20s, the boomers were clinging to their jobs with death grips

and, despite my talent and ambition, I was told I was "too young" and needed experience.

So I moved across Canada and then the world for work. By in my 30s, after several awards and achievements, I was "too old" for jobs opening up, all of them focused on new media. Apparently, at 32, I already didn't get Twitter (according to boomer managers). I feel you, Gen Y. But next time you whine, say thanks to Gen X.

We lived as latchkey kids resulting in your parents overcompensating to parent you properly (or, from my view, helicopter over you).

We paved the counterculture path now bearing fruit for Gen Y. We took to technology and told our bosses the web mattered and social media shouldn't be ignored.

And we saw we were living lives opposite to our parents — a childhood of wealth and opportunity, a mid- and later-life prospect of struggle. And it was us who said, "Not cool." I've yet to hear Gen X mentioned by Gen Y, other than to group me into the ultimate dismissal: old.

A lobby group called Generation Squeeze, which began at the University of British Columbia, gets my view. To them, Gen X and Gen Y are pretty much the same — screwed. Governments across Canada spend \$12,000 per capita on benefits and services for people under 45. For those over 45, mostly boomers, it's \$33,000. So, we're in the same boat, Gen Y. Gen X has just been here longer. And so we say, "Welcome."

Rosemary Westwood will return Tuesday.

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LOOKING SHARP

Home delivery at a fraction of the cost has men buying in

Benjamin Harrison used to let his razors get so dull, shaving felt like plucking hairs from his face.

But now, his blades are fresh, his face is smooth and his wallet is fatter, thanks to an online shaving club delivering "luxury" to his doorstep.

Increasingly, men are turning their backs on traditional razor retailers and looking to the Internet to find a good, cheap shave, according to reports from the United States.

"I just always thought it was ridiculous, the price that I would get (blades) at the store for," said Harrison, a student at Trent University in Peterborough.

The daily shaver used to scour Shoppers Drug Mart flyers looking for deals, trying tricks to prolong blade lifespan — including dunking blades in vodka and rubbing them on his jeans — and suffering through painful shaves in the meantime.

"It was terrible," he said. "I'd deal with the discomfort (to) save myself 20 or 30 bucks."

All that changed when he saw a viral video for Dollar Shave Club on YouTube.

"Are the blades good? No. Our blades are f— great," quips Dollar Shave Club CEO Michael

Dubin in the cheeky video. It's been viewed 19 million times.

And their blades? Consumers do think they're great. Two million customers spend between \$1 to \$9 on Dollar Shave Club blades at least every other month — blades are delivered either monthly or bimonthly — Dubin told the Wall Street Journal.

The company is expected to generate \$140 million in sales this year and is valued at \$615 million.

Prices are higher in Canada,

"It's just a little luxury for me

to have a sharp razor," he said.

Dollar Shave Club, which entered the Canadian market in 2012, isn't the only subscription service with a good sales pitch.

Harry's, a New York City-based shaving brand started by two college friends, offers shaving plans starting at \$15 US for an eight-blade delivery — plus \$6 for shipping to Canada. They also offer shave gel and aftershave add-on options. Harry's entered the Canadian market in February 2014.

In the U.S., men's shaving

gear sales nearly doubled in 12 months, reaching \$263 million in May, according to the Wall Street Journal.

As online shaving services cement their market foothold, razor blades sales are down in the U.S.

Procter & Gamble, which owns Gillette and holds nearly 70 per cent of global blades and razor sales, reported razor and shaving accessories sales of \$3.7 billion in 2014, down two per cent year on year, according to reports from Nielsen.

Some, including P&G chief financial officer Jon Moeller, argue changing facial hair trends are to blame for the slump. In January 2014, Moeller blamed the moustache-growing fundraiser "Movember" for a drop in fourth-quarter razor sales.

At Toronto's Terminal Barber shop, owner Karim Saaden said he's seen more men sporting beards over the past decade.

About 20 per cent of his clients maintain beards, he said.

Backing up that anecdote is the fact that there were \$74.7 million worth of sales in men's shavers and trimmers in Canada over a 12-month period, showing a 2.9 per cent dollar growth versus the previous 12 months, according to market research firm The NPD Group.

But even if men are embracing scruff, Gillette is still left playing catch-up when it comes to shave clubs.

The razor behemoth does offer a customized shaving plan, but Gillette's prices far exceed Harry's and Dollar Shave Club. Gillette's cheapest plan costs \$16.99 US for one shipment of five Gillette Mach 3 Turbo razor blades. It's also not available in Canada.

Perhaps they're betting brand loyalty and the convenience of home delivery will win out against the slick new online players, regardless of price. But Harrison's not buying.

"Unless the deal I'm getting online changes, I don't think I will (switch back to Gillette)," said Harrison. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



Benjamin Harrison has trimmed the cost of his clean-cut looks by going online for razor deals. FRED THORNHILL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Native group of seven

The findings of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission have brought native issues to the fore, with many reconsidering the role of First Nations people in Canadian history. One show, on at the McMichael Canadian Art Collection, in Kleinberg (just north of Toronto), puts this history front and centre by celebrating the art of seven native artists, who, in 1970s Winnipeg, fought for recognition. **Catherine Kustanczy** FOR METRO LIFE



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The artists

Known officially as the Professional Native Indian Artists Inc. (PNIAI), the group — Norval Morrisseau, Daphne Odjig, Jackson Beardy, Eddy Cobiness, Alex Janvier, Carl Ray and Joseph Sanchez — was a direct response to the celebrated Group of Seven painters, famous in the early 20th century for their depictions of the Canadian wilderness.

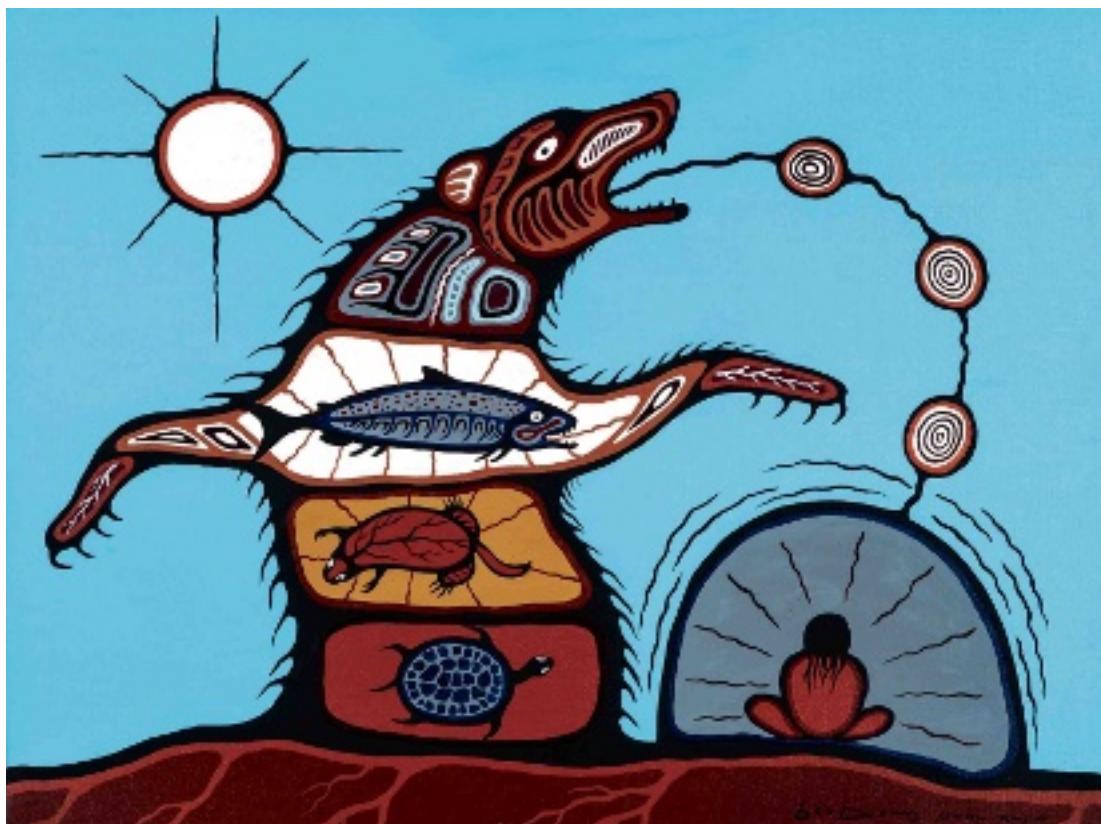


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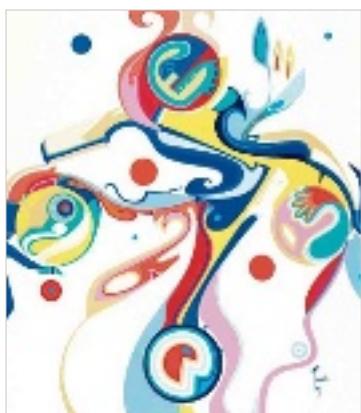


There was this lack of inclusion and a sense that they should be as well known as Tom Thomson or J.E.H. MacDonald. This is what they were trying to do in the '70s: 'Include us, we are part of the art history of this country!'

Victoria Dickenson,
executive director and CEO
of the McMichael



CARL RAY MEDICINE BEAR

ALEX JANVIER
THE FOUR SEASONS OF '76

The art

"Daphne Odjig was told her art (shown far right) was either too native or not native enough," says Victoria Dickenson, executive director and CEO of the McMichael. "She felt (the establishment) was trying to place her in a box with this attitude of, 'You're not crafty enough for native art.'"

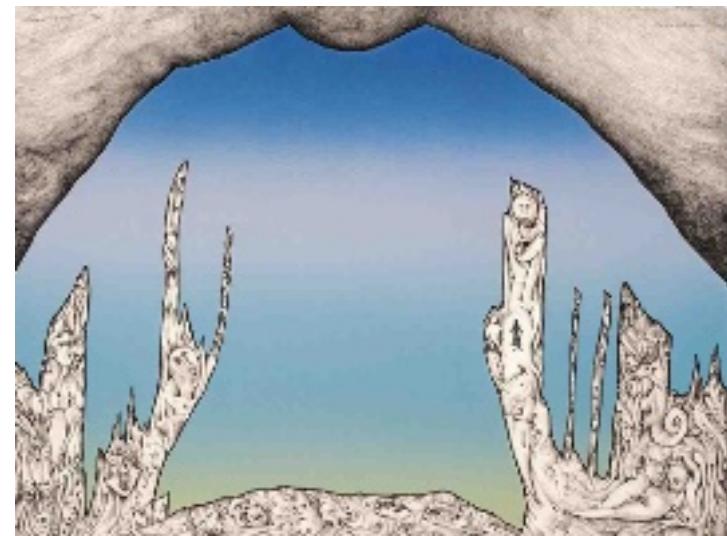
Many of the works in the exhibit depict native mythologies, personal stories and experiences, as well as historical injustices, with various pieces grouped under themes relating to storytelling. The works are particularly poignant in light of the Truth and Reconciliation Report.

"You have to embrace the whole history of our country," Dickenson says. "And these artists are a part of the history of our country. So this history is a part of you. It's history through art, through events, through its people."

The show

The show, 7: Professional Native Indian Artists Inc., originated at the MacKenzie Art Gallery in Regina, and was curated by First Nations artist/curator/educator Michelle LaVallee. Comprising close to 100 pieces in total, the show features a range of styles expressed in large-scale paintings as well as drawings and sketches.

Many have a contemporary feel, with Odjig and Janvier's works freely incorporating elements of street art and abstraction, while Sanchez's sketches bring to mind modern comics art.



JOSEPH SANCHEZ GHOST SHIRT

NORVAL MORRISSEAU
ARTIST'S WIFE AND DAUGHTER

DAPHNE ODJIG
SO GREAT WAS THEIR LOVE



CAREER MOTIVATION

Three tips to get your life on track after school

Vania Andre
Metro | New York City

Graduation is the end of one journey and the beginning of another. However, if you're one of the many graduates who find themselves in a post-college or post-university "mid-life" crisis, fear not. We asked Lindsey Pollak, millennial workplace expert and author of *Becoming the Boss: New Rules for the Next Generation of Leaders*, for tips on how to avoid sinking into depression after school.

Don't get down on yourself
Think about what you've just achieved. Graduation is a major accomplishment — one that should be celebrated. Remember that it is normal and understandable to compare your post-grad situation to your peers', which is why it's important to seek out colleagues who can not only offer encouragement, but also empathy.

"Find friends in a similar situations and connect with



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Post-grad blues

them regularly," says Pollak. Together you can complain but also "encourage each other and serve as accountability partners and sounding boards."

Use downtime wisely
Use the extra downtime as an opportunity to network and join local chapters of professional associations. Not only will you be working on advancing your career, but you will also be having fun doing it.

Professional organizations typically host networking mixers, where like-minded people can connect and share their resources.

Pollak suggests reaching out to your alma mater's career centre and alumni groups.

"The career centre can be a key contact because it spends time every single day building relationships with local, national and international employers in fields across the board,"

Often, once you do a small task you will keep the momentum going.

Millennial workplace expert
Lindsey Pollak

she says. "Set up a one-on-one appointment to review your résumé, take a career assess-

ment test and practice a mock interview."

Alumni, on the other hand, have experience with the local market, she says. "They are often more than happy to help a young alum of their alma mater."

Stay active

It can be easy to fall in a slump when you're unemployed. Fight the urge to sloth your day away by taking small steps toward

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not be frowned upon, this is not the locale to lounge for hours on a deck chair. Skip tanning in favour of a coverup that you can slip on as soon as you've dried off.

Opt for a higher level of coverage than you might with friends.

You may feel pressure to join the water polo game, but if splashing around with co-workers makes you uneasy, there's a simple solution: Don't. Instead, focus on being a gracious guest. During parties held at a colleague's house, compliment the setup, offer to help (without taking over), and thank the host before heading home. It may be tempting to stick to your clique, but off-site gatherings are an opportunity to get to know colleagues outside your niche. Be friendly on land, and no one will care — or notice — that you've opted out of taking the plunge.

Teensie bikinis that could easily untie don't belong at an office summer shindig and are best left in a drawer at home. ISTOCK

wear is on-point.

Opt for a higher level of coverage than you might with friends, and stay far away from malfunction-prone ensembles. Although it's important to feel comfortable in your swimwear, it's polite to keep the comfort of others in mind, as well.

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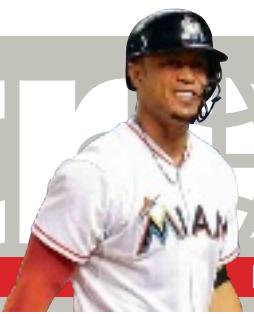
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Marlins slugger Giancarlo Stanton will miss up to six weeks with a broken left hand

Dream ends at BC Place

WOMEN'S WORLD CUP

Gaffes aside, Canada doomed by lack of goals

 **Cam Tucker**
Metro | Vancouver

They were an easy team for Canadians to love and admire. But in the end, a lack of scoring ability caught up to the Canadian women's soccer team at the FIFA Women's World Cup on home soil, and the dream of perhaps surprising a nation and the world came to an end on Saturday before more than 54,000 people at BC Place Stadium.

Canada lost to England 2-1 in the quarter-final stage of the tournament.

Christine Sinclair was the lone scorer for Canada. There was a point in the match shortly after her tally before half-time when it looked like she might have one of those special, heroic moments, a la



The Canadian women's soccer team salute their supporters after Saturday's 2-1 loss to England in the quarter-final of the World Cup on Saturday at BC Place in Vancouver. JEN GAUTHIER/METRO

her performance versus the U.S. at the 2012 Olympics.

It wasn't in the script.

For all of Canada's heart, desire, aggressive play and a coach in John Herdman who could motivate a sloth to run through a brick wall, they lacked one key ingredient: Finish.

Not that such a deficiency was a surprise to those who follow the women's team on a regular basis.

Their previous five matches before the start of the Women's World Cup were all decided by

scores of 1-0, with Canada taking three of those.

When England scored twice in the span of just three minutes Saturday, the already goal-strapped Canadians were suddenly forced to score simply out of necessity, and they couldn't do it, despite chances to do so.

"We had some real standout performances," said Herdman. "Yeah, just same thing. We had chances but never put it in

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TUESDAY

In Montreal
Germany vs. U.S., 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

In Edmonton
Japan vs. England, 7 p.m.

the back of the net and that's football at the highest level."



It's a soccer player's nightmare. It's unfortunate. That's how soccer goes, but I'm still proud of her.

Sophie Schmidt on teammate Lauren Sesselmann's gaffe that led to England's first goal on Saturday

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NHL

Sens trade Gryba to Oilers to clear space for Cowen



The Senators shipped out goalie Robin Lehner and defenceman Eric Gryba in draft weekend trades. GETTY IMAGES

Jared Cowen's development on the Ottawa Senators' blue line made Eric Gryba expendable.

With a logjam at defence, the Senators traded Gryba to Edmonton on Saturday for prospect Travis Ewanyk and the 107th pick.

"We had too many defencemen," Senators general manager Bryan Murray said. "It allows us to play Jared Cowen on a regular basis now. It gets us down to seven defencemen."

Murray's other goal was to clear room to sign unrestricted-free-agent defenceman Chris Wideman, an offensive-mind-



Senators first rounder
Thomas Chabot
GETTY IMAGES

ed player he thinks is ready for NHL duty.

While Gryba regularly goes on to a third-pairing role with the Oilers, a move he called bittersweet,

Cowen should get a chance to play much more regularly for Ottawa.

Murray blamed knee, hip and other injuries for Cowen's ca-

reer path slowing down a bit. If Cowen is healthy, Murray wants coach Dave Cameron to keep him in the lineup.

The deal was Ottawa's second at the draft after sending Robin Lehner to the Buffalo Sabres for the 21st pick. The Senators took centre Colin White there.

"That we think is going to be a really important player in the future for the organization," Murray said.

White was Ottawa's second selection after drafting QMJHL defenceman Thomas Chabot 18th.

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IN BRIEF

James to opt out of final year of contract: Source

For the third time in six seasons, LeBron James is an unrestricted free agent.

The difference this time is he has no plans to move again.

The Cleveland star will not exercise a \$21.6 million option on his contract for next season, a person with knowledge of the decision told The Associated Press.

The approach allows James to sign a new maximum contract that will pay him more than he would have made under his previous contract. His max number for next season, which is tied to how high the salary cap rises, is expected to be more than \$22 million.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Osuna closes up Jays' shop

Drew Hutchison pitched effectively for his fifth straight win, and Roberto Osuna closed out a tight game as the Toronto Blue Jays edged the Texas Rangers 3-2 on Sunday.

Osuna came into the game with two out and two on in the eighth after Steve Delabar gave up a lead-off double and walk. Osuna struck out Shin-Soo Choo to end the inning, and worked around a lead-off double in the ninth for his second save of the season.

Hutchison (8-1) struck out eight batters and gave up four hits, three walks and one unearned run over 5-2/3 innings.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Reilly injured in Esk loss

Edmonton Eskimos quarterback Mike Reilly is out indefinitely with a left knee injury.

The Eskimos updated Reilly's status Sunday after he left Saturday's 26-11 loss to Toronto.

The Eskimos said Reilly will undergo tests this week to determine the extent of the injury.

Reilly completed 16 of 28 passing for 170 yards, a touchdown and an interception against Toronto.

Less than two quarters into the 2015 campaign, Saskatchewan lost its starting QB, Darian Durant with a season-ending left-foot injury on Saturday.

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RECIPE Pita-Stuffed Pizza Burgers**EAT LIGHT AT HOME**

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Burgers, tomato and sauce make a great combo in a warm pita.
Serves four.

Ready in

Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 8 minutes

Ingredients

- 1 lb lean ground beef
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp minced garlic
- 3 Tbsp finely chopped onion
- 3 Tbsp ketchup
- 3 Tbsp bread crumbs
- Salt and pepper
- 1/2 tsp dried basil
- 3/4 cup tomato sauce
- 1/2 cup grated mozzarella cheese
- 1/2 cup baby spinach leaves
- 2 large whole wheat pitas (gently heated)

Directions

1. Combine beef, egg, garlic, onion, ketchup, bread crumbs, salt, pepper and basil in bowl. Mix just until all is incorporated. Pat into four burgers. Either grill or sauté on a medium-high heat, just until cooked through or temperature reaches 160 F, about eight minutes.
2. Slice pitas in half, warm in microwave or oven and place burger inside each half. Divide tomato sauce into pitas, add spinach to side and top with cheese. Serve warm.

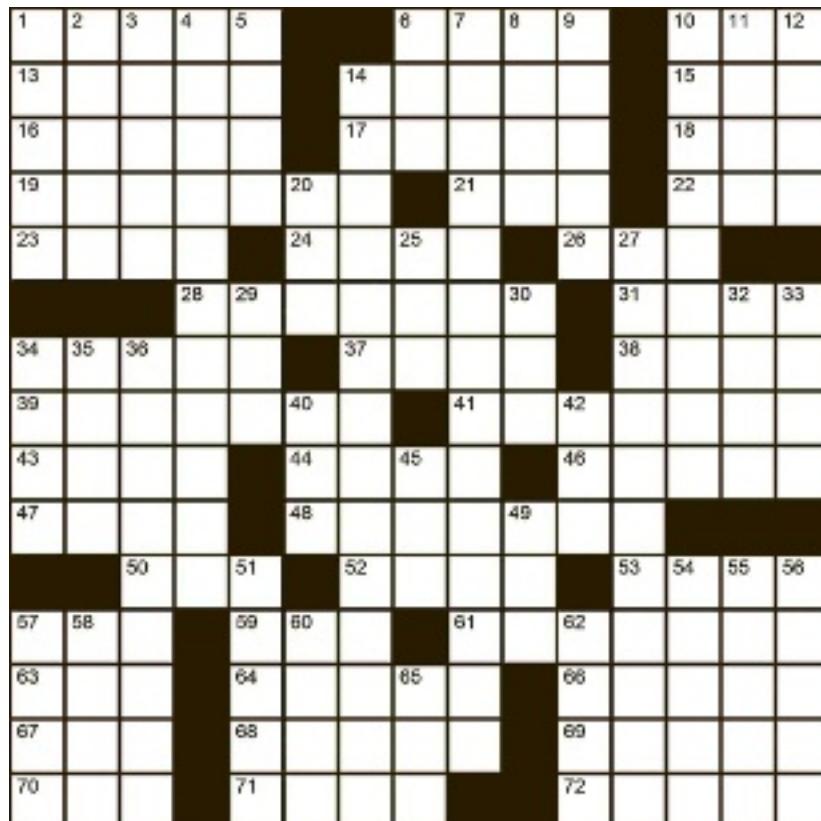
Nutrition per serving

- Calories 320
- Carbohydrates 27 g
- Protein 31 g
- Fat 10 g
- Saturated fat 4 g
- Cholesterol 125 mg
- Sodium 760 mg

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CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

**ACROSS**

1. Mouls
6. Russian city
10. Writer Mr. Lewis, et al.
13. Basketball court manoeuvre
14. Off to _ start (Hold up)
15. "Giddy up!"
16. Vernon and _ Castle (Ballroom dancing duo of the 1900s)
17. Mil. mission variety
18. Propel the boat
19. _ tiles (Back-splash choice)
21. _ Fever
22. Auberge
23. Type of chemical group
24. Lovely notations holder
26. Gym-goer's pride
28. Sketches dresses
31. Rock of _(Samson's biblical hideaway)
34. Particular pet products producer
37. Sherbrooke 'sky'
38. Egypt-themed opera
39. Movie pirate, Captain Jack _
41. 19th-century President Mr. Cleveland's
43. Songstress Erykah
44. Dutch violinist/conductor Andre
46. Cul._-
47. Jam in
48. Horse bridle flap
50. Li'l round rate
52. Qatar's capital
53. Pea: French
57. Verify
59. Stealth flapper
61. Nova Scotia town in Cumberland County
63. 'SCTV', e.g.
64. Condescend
66. Aluminum com-
67. 68.
70. 71.
72. Library mes-

DOWN

- pany, _ Canada
67. Mahalo nui _ (Thanks very much, in Honolulu)
68. Not nourished
69. Baseball legend Rusty
70. "Lucky Man" gr.
71. Proofreading term
72. Library mes-
6. Certain cheer
7. Bit of Neil Young's "Rockin' in the Free World" that #4-Down played at his presidential run announcement: "We got a kinder, gentler, _ _."
8. Portico of ancient Greece
9. Where Nairobi is

sage starters...

DOWN

1. Virgo's brightest twinkler
2. Job-giver
3. All
4. 2016 U.S. Presidential candidate: 2 wds.
5. Base

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*** IT'S ALL IN THE STARS** by Sally Brompton**Aries** March 21 - April 20

You are thinking about making big changes. However, you should wait until Thursday's full moon has come and gone. Chances are you won't have to change much at all.

Taurus April 21 - May 21

You may find it easy to point the finger at other people but before you do make sure there are no skeletons in your own closet that might be dragged out for the world to see. No one is perfect!

Gemini May 22 - June 21

At some stage this week you will have to admit that some of your ideas are too outrageous to be taken seriously. But others will work and it is those you must focus on.

Cancer June 22 - July 23

You have a great deal of energy at your disposal now but will you use it wisely? There is a real danger that you could squander your resources on things that bring no lasting benefit. Focus on essentials.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23

If something does not work out the way you intended it to today your first instinct will be to drop it and move on to something else. Finish what you started.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

If you assume that the people you have to deal with are as reasonable as you then you put yourself at a disadvantage. That applies to affairs of the heart as well as business matters.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Don't make any important decisions until the approaching full moon begins to wane towards the end of the week.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Over the next few days you will be tempted to believe you are heading in completely the wrong direction. It could just be the moon playing tricks on your mind.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Because the approaching full moon takes place in the money area of your chart there is a danger that you will waste what you have gained in recent weeks. Be especially careful when socializing. Don't spend money just to impress your friends.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You may be more emotional than usual over the next few days and that could cause problems if it leads you to behave in ways that undermine your relationships.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Big things won't worry you this week but little things are likely to annoy you a lot. The approaching full moon will tend to exaggerate the importance of what's going on.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20
The excessive side of your personality is likely to come out this week, especially when the moon is full. If you do go over the top in some way, make amends as quickly as you can.

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